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Please add the following new claim:

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--10. A method of retarding the decay of an organic product due to bacteria, fungi and/or viruses, said method comprising incorporating into said organic product an effective amount therefor of an alkylated and/or acylated monosaccharide and/or oligosaccharide and retarding the decay of said organic product as a result of said incorporating. --

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If any extension of time for this response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. Please charge the required Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess to our Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of this application in view of the amendments above and the following comments.

Claim 8 is amended to specify the result of the topical application in accordance with, for example, the specification at page 10, lines 25-28. New claim 10 is based on